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SENATOR DANIEL FALLS AND SPRAINS HIS WRIST

Will Be Unable to Keep Engagements to Speak During Democratic Campaign.

LYNCHBURG, Va., October 6.—Last night Senator Daniel and some of his family were going to the Interstate Fair, his car was stopped and he fell heavily to the ground, severely straining his right wrist. It will have to be put in a plaster cast to prevent permanent injury, and as he cannot walk without his right wrist the doctor says he must avoid going about for a week or two.

The Senator's injury was quite painful, but he continued on his way to the fair with the cast, and did not realize the severity of his injury until he reached home. The cast is a plaster of Paris, and it is not thought that the result will be more serious than a week or so of treatment.

It will be recalled that Senator Daniel has promised to make several speeches in the coming week.

STRIKE IN NORFOLK.

Plasterers and Lathers Still Holding Out for Higher Wages.

NORFOLK, Va., October 6.—The journeymen plasterers in three shops have struck, and there was no outward change to-day in the laboring ranks. The striking plasterers refused to accept a compromise of \$5.50 a day when they demanded \$6 a day. The two plasterers who were working on the present contract are working up and down the week contracted for after this.

As yet no other admission has been made by the plasterers or lathers, but it was declared this morning by Thomas Agost, president of the Carpenters' Union, that the plasterers' union men or negroes go to work in the place of the striking lathers or plasterers. The union carpenters will be called on.

Some of the lathers and plasterers who have been out in Norfolk and Portsmouth have paid the scale demanded, and these men are at work. The lathers demand \$1.50 a day when working by the day, and \$3 a thousand when working by the piece. This is an advance of fifty cents all around.

ROBBED STORE.

Hundred and Fifty Dollars' Worth of Goods Stolen at South Hill.

SOUTH HILL, Va., October 6.—The Daniel Hardware Company, of this place, was robbed last night between 12 o'clock and daylight, about one hundred and fifty dollars' worth of goods being taken. The stolen articles consist principally of firearms. This is the fourth robbery within two months, and it is said that the thief seems to be looking for weapons. Like robbery of firearms, razors, ammunition and other articles have been made away with from stores in this section, a fact which has aroused the suspicion of some as to the motive prompting the thief in entering articles of this character.

MAY BE A MURDER.

Stomach of Dead Colored Woman to Be Analyzed.

LYNCHBURG, Va., October 6.—Ella Griffin, a colored woman, the wife of a man who works in a railway camp in Dumfries, died on Thursday night under circumstances which some of her friends believe to be suspicious. Dr. J. W. Davis has removed her stomach to have it examined to ascertain whether or not the woman's death was due to poisoning. Dr. Davis summoned a jury of inquest yesterday, and some evidence was heard, but the jury announced that it would not render a verdict until the result of the examination of the stomach of the dead woman could be ascertained. The body was turned over to undertaker Bluguid, who buried it this afternoon.

Richmonders in New York.

NEW YORK, October 6.—Hoffman—F. B. Taylor, E. W. Williams; St. Denis—R. W. Forsyth; Breslin—W. G. Neal; Holland—C. E. Whitlock.

MANY SHOTS ARE FIRED INTO MAN'S BEDROOM

Second Escape of Well-Known Merchant Within Last Several Months.

ROCKY HILL, Va., October 6.—Mr. George W. Dexter, a white man of Stony Creek, was indicted in the county jail this morning for being implicated in a shooting affair that occurred at Stony Creek on the 2nd of last June. On that date a pistol shot narrowly missed Mr. S. V. Dugan, while he was standing just inside the door of his place of business. On last Wednesday night there was another very mysterious shooting at Stony Creek. Nineteen pistol shots were fired in the bedroom of Mr. Dugan. None of them, however, did any serious injury. Several arrests have been made, and others are expected to be made in the near future. The county authorities are doing all in their power to bring Dexter's assailant to justice.

WYTHEVILLE

WYTHEVILLE, Va., October 6.—The Wythe Grange Chapter, U. G. D., held a business meeting on Thursday morning at the residence of the president, Mrs. Samuel W. Williams, and arranged a program for the reception of the State convention, U. G. D., which convenes here on Friday.

On the first day the convention will be called to order by the president, Mrs. W. H. McKinney, of Petersburg, and opened with prayer by Rev. W. H. K. Pennington, pastor of St. John's Church, followed by an address of welcome by Judge Samuel W. Williams, responded to by the president of the convention, after which the roll of the chapters will be called and the regular business proceeded with.

During the convention several entertainments will be given to the delegates. Mrs. Charles Marshall has issued invitations to a 5 o'clock tea on Wednesday, to be given to the delegates and visiting delegates at her handsome home on Lawrence Hill, and at 8 o'clock in the evening the Wythe Grange Chapter will tender to the delegates a reception at the Trinkle residence, on Main Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Newberry, of Bristol, who eloped and were married in Bristol on Monday last, are the guests of Judge and Mrs. Samuel W. Williams.

Mrs. M. J. Wyner and Mrs. John Williams have returned from attending the annual meeting of the Women's Home Missionary Conference at Abingdon last week.

Mrs. George Flint, of Ansonia, Ala., is spending some weeks with her sisters, the Misses Chastain.

Mrs. C. W. Pike, of Waynesburg, Ga., is visiting Mrs. James S. Ward, on North Street.

Mrs. F. S. Cooper, of West Virginia, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Samuel W. Williams.

Mrs. Rose Williams is at home, after an extended trip to Mountain Lake and other points of interest.

Mrs. Jennie Boyd, of Nelson county, who has been the guest of her father, Colonel E. Withers, returned home on Monday.

Mrs. Malcolm Robinson is visiting friends in town this week.

Mr. Irby Hurt, of Abingdon, spent a few days in town this week with his little daughter, Marcilla, who is a pupil at Villa Maria.

Mrs. James R. Jordan left Thursday for

Charleston, W. Va., where she expects to spend the winter.

Mrs. J. J. A. Powell returned Monday from a visit to Richmond and Goodland.

Miss Boykin Leading Soprano.

Miss Eliza Boykin, whose sweet soprano voice has been a feature of the music at Grace Episcopal Church for several weeks, has been engaged as leading soprano at the handsome, rededicated Grace Street Presbyterian Church. Her engagement was coincident with the inauguration of the new church building on last Sabbath, when at the service of thanksgiving she sang two solos in excellent voice.

Miss Boykin is a daughter of Mrs. Robert H. Boykin, of the city, and a sister of Colonel Henry M. Boykin. She showed a voice of fine range and exquisite timbre, and was warmly received by the host under the patronage of Mrs. Henry M. Boykin, and under the capable direction of that lady, nature's gift was developed and the technique perfected.

Miss Boykin was selected by the Grace Street Church, which has a large and excellent choir, as the leading soprano for the position, and of whom have reputations as singers extending abroad. The congregation was delighted with her singing last Sunday, and her performance was so perfect, the more so, that Dr. Williams' church will not be an inopportune feature of the service. Tomorrow Miss Boykin will sing as a soloist at the morning service that celebrates the anniversary of the church, "One Sweetly Solenn Thought."

Rally at Fountain Church.

The Fountain Baptist Church, which will hold special services to-morrow and the Sunday following. This church has a debt of several thousand dollars on its house of worship, and the pastor, Rev. Dr. H. R. Williams, together with the united efforts of the faithful members, are doing all in their power to liquidate the same. The church is now in a position to receive a large sum of money, and the pastor, Rev. Dr. H. R. Williams, together with the united efforts of the faithful members, are doing all in their power to liquidate the same.

The program to-morrow is as follows: 11:30, pastor will preach; 2:30, Rev. A. E. Jeffries; 3:30, Rev. A. Ferguson.

Mr. Bishop Painfully Hurt.

Mr. R. Howard Bishop, of this city, received a severe injury yesterday to the effect that his mother, Mrs. L. L. Bishop, whose home is in Danville, Va., contained a very painful injury to the ankle, being broken in two places by a fall at her home. The floor or one of the rooms had been raised in order to make repairs, and the accident was caused by a fall through the opening in the floor. Dr. Bishop was summoned, and while the injuries sustained were not pronounced very serious, they are exceedingly painful, and it will be some time before she will be able to walk again. Mr. Bishop is very much grieved over his mother's accident.

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OUR GIBSON PICTURES.

No. 6—"HIS FIRST CASE."

This paper is describing in a series of brief articles on drawing the way in which an "outsider" of the profession produces the effects of a face on a figure. It must be remembered that none of the things seen in the drawing exists in the subject; the painter with his colors and brush from the texture in the model of a face, but the man who selects black and white as his medium can only suggest a shadow by a mass of lines, stronger or fainter, spaced far apart or closer together, according as the shadow is faint or deep. Herein lies the difficulty.

These essays on the art of drawing are illustrated with specimens of "Charles Dana Gibson's work." The present article has "for its model a characteristic Gibson drawing, 'His First Case,' which is a way to show the marvelous technique of this acknowledged master, which will be found in the special art section of this paper, and a close study of it and of the lines is necessary in a thorough comprehension of what is said here.

A close study of the Gibson picture reveals that the artist began by sketching in pencil the outline of the figure, tracing out his outline to his fingers, in sketching in the features, the shadows in pencil, tracing the hair faithfully, and making an almost finished sketch before touching it with the pen. A certain roughness of the lines about the forehead and eyebrows of the figure, and the broad flat shadow of the nose that have not been rubbed out, perhaps left there intentionally by the artist. Then with a fine drawing pen or a quill, the picture was drawn on a large sheet of paper, the lines being formed by the well placed lines. Notice the difference in texture between the man's coat and the girl's dress; how strong the one is, and how soft the other. Notice also the exquisite drawing of the hands, the delicate roundness of the girl's and the power of the man's.

Notice, again, how few lines are used to produce the effect. There is not one line too many, not one that should have been spared. This is an ideal to be sought for in pen-and-ink work; and it is especially difficult for the reason that the line once drawn cannot be erased, and must remain to adorn or mar the finished sketch. It is true that with a knife a line may be scratched out from a drawing that is intended for reproduction, and that the eraser need not mar the picture, but if the original sketch is to be valued, the eraser must be left to destroy the surface of the paper, making it impossible to place a clean line upon a scratched spot.

In drawing from a living model, the first thing to draw, as a general rule, is the line that divides the hair from the face; the bridge of the nose, the tip of the nose, and the outline of the face should then be sketched in. The beginner should learn to draw with the whole arm, and not in holding the pen as a pencil or tightly, then he will be able to draw rapidly, with well shaped and gracefully curved lines. To learn to ink-up, it is well at first to copy drawings of great artists, not sticking to one, but as many as possible. But later draw-

LIVE WIRE DANGLING ON BROAD STREET

Considerable Excitement Was Occasioned by Falling of Big Canvas Sign.

Considerable excitement was caused on Broad, between Fifth and Sixth Streets, at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon when the canvas sign advertising the State Fair was blown down by the high winds. One of the supporting wires fell across the car trolley, and dangled to the street, cleared with the full current. Captain Epps and Officer Schuler, in plain clothes, were among the first to recognize the danger, and they immediately stationed themselves on either side of the dangling wire, and diverted traffic from it. An immense crowd had gathered about the spot until passage was almost impossible, and stayed there until electricians arrived and removed the dangerous article.

A Mountain paper tells of an "ice man" who was shot by mistake for a robber. Here it was a mistake!—New York Herald.

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